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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:  
Michael J. Hornbrook et al.

Application No.: 10/760,665

Confirmation No.: 9861

Filed: January 20, 2004

Art Unit: 3681

For: CLUTCH BRAKE

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

### FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

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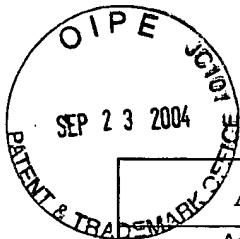
Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

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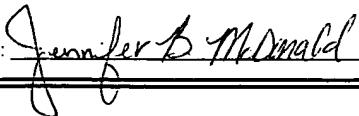


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Application No. 10/760,665-Conf. #9861	Filing Date January 20, 2004	Examiner Not Yet Assigned	Art Unit 3681		
Applicant(s): Michael J. Hornbrook et al.					
Invention: CLUTCH BRAKE					
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
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**Amendment Transmittal**

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